

Announcements

Diplomates may apply for Maintenance of Certification in the year their certificate expires, or if they wish to do so, they may apply up to two years before it expires. However, the new certificate will be dated 10 years from the date of expiration of their original certificate or most recent recertification certificate. In other words, going through the Maintenance of Certification process early does not alter the 10-year validation. Diplomates certified prior to 1976 (the year that time-limited certificates were initiated) are also required to participate in MOC if they wish to maintain valid certificates.

The deadline for submission of application for the Maintenance of Certification is May 10 of each year. All ABTS diplomates will receive a letter from the Board outlining their individual timeline and MOC requirements. A brochure outlining the rules and requirements for Maintenance of Certification in thoracic surgery is available upon request from the American Board of Thoracic Surgery, 633 North St. Clair Street, Suite 2320, Chicago, IL 60611; telephone (312) 202-5900; fax (312) 202-5960; E-mail info@abts.org. This booklet is also published on the Web site: www.abts.org.

Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education

Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship

Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education Awards

Thoracic Surgery Foundation for Research and Education (TSFRE) is offering several 2015 awards to qualified applicants. Please visit the TSFRE [Awards Page](#) or www.tsfre.org for detailed information and applicant guidelines.

• TSFRE Research Grant

Operational support of original research efforts by cardiothoracic surgeons who have completed their formal training, and who are seeking initial support and recognition for their research program. Awards of up to \$40,000 per year for up to two years are granted to support the work of an early-career cardiothoracic surgeon (within five years of first faculty appointment). **Deadline: October 15, 2014**

• Nina Starr Braunwald Research Grant

Operational support of original research efforts by women cardiac surgeons who have completed their formal training, and who are seeking initial support and recognition for their research program. Awards of up to \$40,000 per year for up to two years are made each year to support the work of an early-career woman cardiac surgeon (within five years of first faculty appointment). **Deadline: October 15, 2014**

• Nina Starr Braunwald Research Fellowship

Support of up to \$30,000 per year for up to two years for a woman resident working in a cardiac surgical clinic or laboratory research program who has not yet completed cardiothoracic surgical training. **Deadline: October 15, 2014**

• Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship

Support of \$10,000 for a clinically established woman thoracic surgeon to travel to another institution for the purpose of learning a new skill or technology. **Deadline: October 15, 2014**

• TSFRE Alley-Sheridan Scholarships

A. Leadership Program in Health Policy and Management: TSFRE offers up to ten partial scholarships of \$2,500 toward the \$5,200 cost to attend the Leadership Program in Health Policy and Management at the Heller School of Public Policy and Management at Brandeis University. **Deadline: March 15, 2015**

B. Surgeons as Educators: TSFRE will support up to two scholarships of \$2,500 toward the cost of tuition to attend the Surgeons as Educators course hosted by the American College of Surgeons. **Deadline: TBD**

We look forward to receiving your applications. If you have any additional questions, please contact Priscilla Kennedy, TSFRE Executive Director, at 312-202-5868 or by E-mail at pkennedy@tsfre.org.